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TWO CENTS.

THREE OFFICERS AND 40 TROOPERS MISSING

It Is Believed in Columbus That Captains Boyd and Morey and Lieutenant Adair Perished in the Battle with Mexican Soldiers at Carrizal on Thursday

SOME SURVIVORS RETURN TO THE FIELD HEADQUARTERS

Seventeen Negro Troopers Who Were Taken Prisoners Have Been Placed in the Penitentiary in Chihuahua City—None of Prisoners Will Be Hanged

COLUMBUS, New Mexico, June 24.—All of the American force which engaged the Mexicans at Carrizal has returned to the field headquarters today except Captains Boyd and Morey, Lieut. Adair and 40 troopers, according to a report brought here today by arrivals from the interior.

The three officers are believed dead. According to this report the total of American dead probably was 26, unless some of the troops are wandering in search of the expeditionary force. Seventeen prisoners have been taken, it is reported.

Mexican reports that 12 American dead were found on the scene of the engagement would indicate, if the latest details are correct, that 14 troopers either died from their wounds, were killed later fighting or have not succeeded in reaching their base.

Investigation of reports that a number of Mexican spies have been in the expeditionary base camp resulted today in the discharge of several Mexican employees of the army quartermaster's department. They were ordered to leave Columbus immediately.

THE WEATHER

Probably Showers Tonight and Sunday. Moderate South Winds.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The weather forecast: Probably showers tonight and Sunday. Moderate south winds.

First Baptist Church

Rev. George E. Tomkinson, Minister.



Sunday Services, June 24.

10.30 a. m.—Subject of sermon, The Call For Our Sons.
11.45 a. m.—Bible school.
7.30 p. m.—Subject, The Summons of a Scout. Dugan's orchestra, chorus choir. A welcome to all.

Unitarian Church

Unitarian Literature Free. Leaflets describing the Unitarian belief may be obtained on application to Mrs. James M. Adams, 7 Cedar St.

Centre Congregational Church

Rev. Richard H. Clapp Pastor.



Sunday Services.

10.30 a. m.—Sermon, Subject, I Have Called You Friends, John 15:15.
11.45 a. m.—Sunday school. The junior department will meet in the church.
7.00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor society meeting in the Centre Church House. Subject, What Is the Purpose of Our Life on Earth? Eph. 2:1-10, Leader, Charles Butler.

In Odd Fellows' Temple

Monday night at 7.30—Regular meeting of Wantastiquet lodge. The initiatory degree will be conferred on a class of candidates.

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HAVE REGAINED GROUND LOST

French Make Gains Near Hills Nos. 320 and 321 on Verdun Front

BATTLE CONTINUES WITH GREAT VIOLENCE

French Did Not Succeed in Gaining Possession of Thiaumont—More Than Six German Divisions Participated in Action.

PARIS, June 24.—The battle of Verdun continued last night with the utmost violence on both sides of the Meuse. The war office announced today that the French have regained a large part of the ground lost north-east of Verdun near hills Nos. 320 and 321. Undertaking a vigorous offensive the French drove back the Germans over the ground they won yesterday. The battle was particularly violent at Fleury. The French did not succeed in regaining possession of Thiaumont. More than six German divisions participated in the offensive actions east of the Meuse yesterday.

ACCUSES BERLIN OF STARVING POLAND

Lord Robert Cecil Says That Germany Deliberately Rejected Plan for Relief.

LONDON, June 24.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, says he had officially learned that Germany refuses to entertain or discuss the British and Russian proposals for relief in Poland.

"I consider this a most outrageous proceeding," he said. "I hope those interested in the sufferings of Poland, which are terrible beyond words, realize that they are due entirely to the German attitude. Her rejection of our terms shows that she never welcomed any legitimate relief, but simply desired the importation of food to supply her own soldiers."

"When Germany occupied Poland she took away everything—cut down the forests, took over the crops and commandeered all stores and sent them to Germany, causing heartrending conditions in the country. When we were asked if we would relax the blockade and allow food to enter we and Russia agreed to do so on four conditions."

"First—That all food raised in Poland be reserved for the Polish people. Second—That all Poland be treated as an entity. Third—That any food imported must be used to feed the Poles and not the German army."

"Of course we insisted that adequate guarantees be given that this be done."

"The fourth condition was that we could not be exposed to blackmail. We recognize the elementary principle of international law that the occupants of a country must care for the people, and if they cannot they have no right to occupy the country, so we insisted that Germany see that the Serbians were fed, but Germany refused. It is all part of her calculated policy in these matters as evidenced in her war book which was written prior to the war."

CAPTAIN FLEURY IS VERY MUCH ALIVE

Man Reported Dead in New York Arrives in Time to Stop Funeral Preparations.

(Special to The Reformer.)

BURLINGTON, June 24.—John Fleury, of this city, captain of a canal boat, reported drowned in New York Tuesday, and whose body was said to be in the morgue, returned to Burlington today. He denied that there was any basis for the story. Preparations for his burial in Isle la Motte had already been made by relatives.

The news of his death came in a letter and a telegram to his son here and to the Booth Lumber company. The trouble evidently came from a case of mistaken identity which has not yet been explained. Fleury left here two weeks ago for New York with a cargo of lumber.

STEAMSHIP CAPTURED.

Passengers Taken from a British Vessel to Zebrugge.

LONDON, June 24.—The British steamship Brussels, with passengers on board, has been captured by German destroyers and taken into Zebrugge. It is stated that there were no Americans on board. Most of the passengers were Belgian refugees on their way to England.

It is believed that forests sometimes take fire through the branches of trees being rubbed together by the violence of the wind, thus producing the friction necessary to ignite them.

FOUR KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Laborers Met Death at Bottom of 85-Foot Shaft in Boston Harbor

COMPRESSED AIR CAUSED DISASTER

Explosion Released Bricks, Water and Sand, Which Fell Upon the Workers—Man at Top of Shaft Caught on Derrick Hook.

BOSTON, June 24.—Four underground laborers were killed today at the bottom of an 85-foot shaft by an explosion of compressed air which released brick, water and sand upon their heads. Another workman operating a hoist at the top of the shaft was blown through the air and caught on the derrick hook. He was taken to a hospital severely injured.

The shaft had been sunk on the city side of the reserve channel between South Boston and the city proper and the workmen were engaged in extending it under the channel. It was to be used for a conduit for electric wires. The men killed, three negroes and an unidentified white man, were alone in the shaft at the time. The explosion burst through a compartment about 20 feet from the top and lifted the lock which formed the shaft entrance. It broke through the 16-inch masonry wall erected above the bore and the waters of the channel rushed through, drowning the men already pinned and injured by the wreckage. A diver and workmen were sent to clear the shaft opening to allow them to reach the bodies.

TRAIN TO STOP AT FORT ETHAN ALLEN

Many Planning to Go on Excursion Tomorrow—Will Leave Brattleboro at 6.30 in Morning.

Many are planning to go on the Central Vermont and Boston & Maine excursion to Plattsburg tomorrow and stop at Fort Ethan Allen instead of crossing the lake to Plattsburg. Circulars were issued this morning by the railroad announcing that the excursion train will stop at Fort Ethan Allen on the morning of the excursion. The train is due to leave Brattleboro at 6.30 tomorrow morning. Those who do not care to visit the mobilization camp of the Vermont National Guard at the state camp ground may continue to Burlington, take the steamer across the lake to Plattsburg and visit the camp there, having two hours in Plattsburg.

BULLET SWALLOWED BY GIRL OF THREE

Mrs. R. C. Longfellow Goes to Home in Newfane on Receiving News—No Permanent Ill Effects.

Mrs. R. C. Longfellow, who is employed at the Fort Dunham mills, went to her home in Newfane last evening on receipt of news that her daughter, Dorothy, three years old, had swallowed a bullet. The little girl was made ill for a time, but it is not believed that she will suffer any permanent ill effects. The child and her father live on the South Wardsboro road about five miles from Newfane village. As soon as it was learned that the child had swallowed the bullet Dr. L. B. Gordon of Williamsville was notified, and he gave instructions as to what should be done.

AMERICAN AVIATOR KILLED.

But Victor Chapman Brought Down Three German Aeroplanes.

PARIS, June 24.—Corporal Victor Chapman of New York, a member of the Franco-American flying corps, was killed yesterday at Verdun after bringing down three German aeroplanes. Sergeant Norman Prince and the captain of the Franco-American flying corps were engaged with a greatly superior force when Corporal Chapman went to their rescue. He flew into the midst of the German flotilla, which engaged him hotly. He succeeded in bringing down three of his enemies. Then a bullet from one of the remaining German aeroplanes killed him.

Jerome D. Travers, the national open golf champion, estimates there are 1,300 golf clubs in the United States, with a combined membership of 350,000. He says that the average player spends \$20 a year for balls—a total of \$7,000,000.

Nicaragua, the most recent country to issue a blue book, confines hers not to a discussion of hostilities, which she has recently avoided, but to explaining the non-payment of her debts which also have been avoided with fair success.

TWO ARRESTED IN EARLY MORNING RAID

Three Men and Three Women Had Returned from Bernardston with Booze, Which is Destroyed.

Sheriff C. E. Mann and Policeman Ellis Worden descended on a tenement in the Princess building annex shortly after midnight this morning and arrested Edward Lepp and E. Cooke, who with another young man and three women had been to Bernardston and returned with a quantity of liquor refreshments. The officers also seized some ale. Complaints had been made before of the noisy parties held in that tenement and upon receipt of another complaint last night the officers descended upon the place.

Lepp pleaded nolo contendere in the municipal court this morning to a charge of breach of the peace, preferred by State's Attorney O. B. Hughes. He was sentenced to not less than three months nor more than four months at hard labor in the house of correction at Rutland. The sentence was suspended and Lepp was placed on probation for one year on condition that the ale seized, which was his property, be destroyed. The case against Cooke, charged with a similar offense, was not pressed upon payment of costs.

MONEY TAKEN WHILE FAMILY WAS ABSENT

House of John L. Johnson Entered While They Were at Railroad Station to See Company I Off.

While John L. Johnson and family of Elliot street were at the railroad station Thursday to see the members of Company I start for the mobilization camp somebody entered their home and stole a substantial sum of money in bills. Mr. Johnson had a son in the company.

When members of the family returned one of them went to where the money had been left in bills and was astonished to find that all but \$5 had been taken. Nothing else in the house had been touched. Entrance had been gained by unlocking the back door of the house with the key which had been hanging near the door, the location of which was familiar undoubtedly to the person making the entrance.

Mr. Johnson is satisfied as to the identity of the thief and knows the exact amount of money that was taken. The next intruder will not be so successful.

FIREWORKS BOOKS CLOSE THIS EVENING

Nearly Enough Secured to Guarantee Display, but Larger Sum Would Insure Better Show.

Up to noon today the contributions for the Fourth of July fireworks display at Island park amounted to \$136.10, outside of the \$50 which will be given by the Island Park company toward a \$200 display. This sum has come from 214 contributors, or a little less than 64 cents each. There is now needed \$13.90 to bring the amount up to \$200, which is the smallest sum that will be considered. The books close at the Brattleboro Drug Co.'s store when the store closes tonight, and if the amount falls short of \$200 the contributions will be returned. Small contributions rather than large ones are desired.

George W. Clapp, who started the movement, says that nine out of 10 persons seen subscribe. The expense of fireworks this year is greater than heretofore, so it is desired to secure as much more than \$200 as is possible in order to have an adequate display.

ROSTER IS COMPLETE.

All of the Massachusetts Troops Now at Framingham.

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., June 24.—With the arrival today of the Second battalion of field artillery the roster was complete. Many more recruits are wanted in connection with the training of the recruits it is planned to take many to the rifle range at Wakefield next Monday.

WEST DOVER.

Walter Hescok was in East Dover Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Weston Snow went to East Dover Sunday on their way to Brattleboro on their wedding trip.

Misses Marion Howe and Ruby Howe of East Dover were here Wednesday as guests at the village school, taking dinner with Mrs. W. M. Harris.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather on Saturday of last week the meeting of the Mountain View Cemetery association was postponed for one week.

News was received here Saturday of the illness of W. H. May at home with his son, C. E. Mann, in Brattleboro. Mr. Mann was until a few years ago a resident of this place.

O. E. Hill and M. H. Lyman, who were drawn to serve as jurors at the municipal court at Newfane Wednesday, went to East Dover and from there went by automobile with P. E. Yeaw, who was drawn to serve on the same case.

Russia is said to be the only warring nation whose people are actually growing more prosperous during the conflict, prohibition answering for part of the change and the forced development of new industries explaining the rest of it.

Excursion to Plattsburg June 25. See ad on page 5.

PROMOTIONS IN COMPANY I

Several Men Are Advanced—Band Members Have Returned

FIVE MORE RECRUITS LEAVE BRATTLEBORO

Corporal Whidden and Private Taylor Doing Police Duty in Burlington—Aeroplane Motor Offered by Irish Spaulding—Fine Morale.

(Special to The Reformer.)

STATE CAMP GROUND, June 24.—Although the company started toward camp a little behind schedule, the special train arrived on time Thursday night and the company formed and marched immediately toward camp. There was no delay in pitching camp, as the detail assigned to the task of getting the supplies and equipment to the camp grounds were very much on the job. At 6 o'clock the tents were nearly all pitched and the cooks were hurrying the preparations for supper.

At Bellows Falls the Grand Army veterans were out to see the Company E boys off. The citizens were very courteous to the men of Company I, and many of the men walked past the cars which the company occupied, shaking hands with the men and wishing them luck.

The demonstration at Charlestown, where the company from Springfield extrained, was equally as emphatic as that at the Falls, and the whistles were blowing and the people cheering as the train approached the station. The Springfield company was the biggest of the three companies, numbering 114 men, many of them recruits of the previous day. It is also the largest company of the regiment. One former Brattleboro boy is enrolled with Company K, Forrest Wentworth, whose home is in East Dover.

As the morning marched into camp they were greeted with cheers from the companies already there. Companies E, K, and I being the last of the regiment to arrive.

The only thing which might have added to the occasion was the band. The band, however, is represented by six of the veterans of former years and two recruits, and a recently application has been made by others desirous of joining the organization.

The regiment improved every minute yesterday. By general orders the regiment was routed out by reveille at 5.30. Immediately after mess the company was given a steady drill until noon, and after dinner the regiment assembled and underwent review before the governor and his staff.

Several Brattleboro boys have been discovered in other companies of the regiment. The U. V. M. company, Company C, has enrolled on its roster Ralph Thayer and Ray and Verne Adams. Stanley Wilson is a member of the hospital corps.

Much to the surprise of all, the members of the band were discharged and with the exception of Harry Bixby of Brattleboro and William Alaire and William Ayres they have returned to Brattleboro.

Just as the men were engaged in consuming supper a squad of recruits arrived, consisting of Corp. Edward Cavanaugh and Privates Gould, Valier, Fecto, Stockwell, Dowley, Kil-derry and Streeter. The squad was in charge of Corp. Cavanaugh.

The following have been promoted as per company order No. 2:

Sergt. Trendall, acting 1st sergeant.

Sergt. Boyd, mess sergeant.

Private Henry Harlow, acting corporal.

Private Louis Dunlevy, acting corporal.

Private James Clune, acting corporal.

Private F. S. Thompson, company clerk.

Corporal Whidden and Private Walter Taylor have been detailed to special police duty at Burlington.

The Brattleboro Reformer arrived just before noon and was eagerly read by all the company. There were sufficient copies for all and the men greatly appreciate it.

Col. Reeves dispelled yesterday the many rumors which have been afloat concerning the attempts of parents to obtain their sons' discharge from the national guard, when there was the first prospect of the regiment seeing service. "There have been, I am sorry to say," said the commanding officer, "a few isolated cases where parents of members of the regiment lacked sufficient patriotism to face the situation. I have ordered recruiting officers to reject any married or other applicants whose families are dependent upon them, but these are the only men for whom I have any sympathy. There is no way by which a member of the guard may obtain his discharge unless rejected at the physical examination and I am happy to say that none have asked for it. The morale and spirit of the Vermont national guard could not be better."

Five more recruits for Company I left Brattleboro this morning on the 11.11 o'clock train bound for the state camp ground near Fort Ethan Allen.

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